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called the laughing Santa Claus during the Christmas season. And I will quote Santa in response to your question: Ho, ho, ho, ho, ho. No, it would not be the end, Senator Brashear. And with this amendment, I would have to say, I have not even begun to fight.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Well then there's no incentive for me to agree with your logic, is there?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, I can't answer for you. I'm...we have to take things on their merit. If you think there's no merit to the amendment, you will reject or oppose it. If you think there's merit, you will accept it. You will not try to bargain with me. Is this a bargain and sale that we're dealing with this morning?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Never. Never. We don't do that sort of thing here.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: (Laugh) All right. So if I would...in other words, you want me to say that in order for you to agree to this amendment, I would have to agree not to offer any other amendments. Is that...?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Well, I started there.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No deal. Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Brashear will probably object to this amendment, probably oppose it. But I want you all to listen--and if you can't, it's in the record anyway--to what often is offered as argument on the floor. This language is to operate prospectively. That means we're dealing with what's in the future. Since we're talking about money, the amount of which we don't know at this time, who can say with certitude that the money that's going to be available cannot be divided equally? Nobody. Even the Psychic Friends could not say that. And with all of his talents, I've never heard Senator Brashear list among them the ability to read with certitude the future. And if that is one of his talents, he knows how long I'm going to be on his amendment, how long I'm going to be on this bill, and the fact that his proposal is not going to be accepted. Now